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COMMISSIONER

Shellfish Harvesting Area Classification-Notification of Changes

May 3, 2016

Ladies and Gentlemen:

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Under the authority of Maine statute 12 M.R.S.A., Chapter 607, Section 6172; the Commissioner has made the following classification change to Area No. 44, Southern Mount Desert Island and vicinity (Southwest Harbor, Mount Desert, and Cranberry Isles): This notice reclassifies the seasonal Conditionally Approved area in Gary Moore Cove to Approved based on water quality meeting the approved standard year round. All existing pollution and red tide/PSP closures remain in effect.

The boundary descriptions of the area are as follows (struck text is being removed and underlined text is being added):

- A. Effective immediately, because of pollution, it shall be unlawful to dig, take or possess any clams, quahogs, oysters or mussels from the shores, flats and waters of the following Prohibited area(s):
 - 1. Southwest Harbor and Norwood Cove (Southwest Harbor): west of a line beginning at Kings Point, running north to the southwest point of Greening Island, and then northwest to the base of the fifth private pier north of the entrance to Norwood Cove.
 - 2. Broad Cove (Mount Desert): west of a line beginning at Mason Point running southeast to the southwestern tip of Bar Island, and then south approximately 2,200 yards to a red painted post on an unnamed point of land south of the Somes Sound View Campground on the western shore of Somes Sound.
 - 3. Northeast Harbor, Bracy Cove, and Seal Harbor (Mount Desert): south and east of a line beginning at an unnamed point of land approximately 380 yards southwest of the mouth of Hadlock Stream (Northeast Harbor), running southwest to Jesuit Spring Point; then southeast to Sand Point, Greening Island; AND north of a line beginning at the tip of Eastern Point, Greening Island then running northeast to Crowninshield Point and then southeast to East Bunker Ledge, then north to Ingraham Point; AND south of a line across the mouth of Northeast Harbor beginning at the base of a private pier approximately 175 yards south of the Clifton Dock, running northeast approximately 330 yards to the base of a private pier on the opposite shore.
 - 4. Sutton Island (Cranberry Isles): from the shoreline of the island out to the lowest low tide line of the flats surrounding the island.
 - 5. Little Cranberry Island (Cranberry Isles): southwest of a line beginning at Bunker Head then running southeast approximately 675 yards to an unnamed point of land.
 - 6. Little Cranberry Island (Cranberry Isles): north of a line beginning at the tip of The Maypole then running approximately 2,300 yards east to Bar Point.
 - 7. Little Cranberry Island (Cranberry Isles): east of a line beginning at the southwest point of Hadlock Point then running approximately 1,180 yards south to the tip of The Maypole.

- 8. Spurling Cove (Great Cranberry Island): south of a line beginning at the tip of Spurling Point then running approximately 900 yards east to an unnamed point of land.
- Northeast Harbor (Mount Desert): west of a line starting at an unnamed point of land approximately 150 yards east of the harbor boat launch ramp, then running north to the base of the third private pier north of the marina.
- D. Effective immediately, because of seasonal pollution, it shall be unlawful to dig, take or possess any clams, quahogs, oysters or mussels from the shores, flats and waters of the following Conditionally Approved area(s) during the closed dates:
 - 1. Somes Harbor (Somesville): north of a line beginning at the tip of Mason Point and running east to the tip of Squantum Point. This area is closed from May 1 through September 30.
 - 2. Gary Moore Cove, Northeast Harbor (Mount Desert): inside of a line beginning at the base of a pier on the shore approximately 120 yards north of the mouth of Hadlock Stream, then running southwest to Jesuit Spring Point, then northeast to an unnamed point of land approximately 380 yards southwest of the mouth of Hadlock Stream. This area is closed May 1 through November 30.
 - 2.-3. Northeast Harbor (Mount Desert): north of a line across the mouth of the harbor beginning at the base of a private pier approximately 175 yards south of the Clifton Dock, running northeast approximately 330 yards to the base of a private pier on the opposite shore AND east of a line beginning at an unnamed point of land approximately 150 yards east of the harbor boat launch ramp, then running north to the base of the third private pier north of the marina. This area is closed May 1 through October 31.
 - 3.4. Sargent Cove to Marine Railway (Mount Desert): east of a line beginning at a red painted post on the tip of land, approximately 320 yards southwest of the Marine Railway, that forms the mouth of an unnamed cove and running southeast to the northwest tip of land at the mouth of Sargent Cove. This area is closed May 1 through September 30.

If you have questions, please contact Angel Ripley or Kohl Kanwit, Department of Marine Resources, 194 McKown Point Road, West Boothbay Harbor, Maine 04575-0008, Tel: (207) 633-9515 or (207) 633-9535, Email: angel.ripley@maine.gov or Kohl.Kanwit@maine.gov. During weekends/holidays, contact the appropriate State Police barracks: from New Hampshire border to Brunswick, barracks 1-800-228-0857; from Cushing/Boothbay to Lincolnville/Belfast area, barracks 1-800-452-4664; from Belfast to Canadian border, barracks 1-800-432-7381. This notice can be viewed on the Department's website at:

http://www.maine.gov/dmr/rm/public health/closures/closedarea.htm . This information is also recorded on our HOTLINE (207-624-7727 OR 1-800-232-4733).

Sincerely,

David W. Miller

Eastern Maine Growing Area Commissioner's Designee

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11:25 AM (Effective Time)



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